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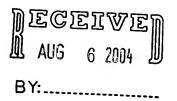
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REPLY TO NOTICE TO COMPLY

Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Second Notice to Comply mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on August 4, 2004 in the above-identified application.

On April 1, 2004, Applicants filed a STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e) (Statement), requesting that the computer readable form (CRF) of the Sequence Listing filed in parent application 09/965,116 ('116 application), filed March 8, 2002, be used in the instant application as the Sequence Listings are identical (a copy of the Statement is

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enclosed herewith). The request to transfer the CRF was denied on the grounds that there is no compliant CRF present in the '116 application.

On August 17, 2004, Applicants held a telephonic interview with Mark Spencer of the the USPTO's Scientific and Technical Information Center. Mark Spencer confirmed that a compliant CRF is present in the '116 application and that the Second Notice to Comply was issued in error. Applicants' respectfully request that the Second Notice to Comply be withdrawn and that the CRF of the Sequence Listing filed in the '116 application be transferred to the instant application.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e)

Sir:

The Sequence Listing in this application, U.S.S.N. 10/694,207, is identical to the computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing filed in application 09/712,898, filed November 15, 2000. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(c), please use the last-filed computer readable form filed in that application as the computer readable form for the instant application. It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the instant application. A paper copy of the Sequence Listing is in a separately filed preliminary amendment for incorporation into the instant specification.

Respectfully submitted,

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